

# Third Grade



All students at our school are screened for reading difficulties three times a year using the Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills (DIBELS) Next. This is one assessment that helps us identify students who may need extra help in learning the skills needed to become a strong reader. Your child's performance on this assessment follows:

	Fall	Winter	Spring
DIBELS Oral Reading Fluency (DORF)	WC: _____ (70) Accuracy: _____ (95%)	WC: _____ (86) Accuracy: _____ (96%)	WC: _____ (100) Accuracy: _____ (97%)
DAZE	_____ (8)	_____ (11)	_____ (19)

*Numbers in parentheses indicate expected performance*

The results of this assessment indicate:

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Your child is on track for achieving grade level reading benchmark standards

Your child may need some extra help achieving grade level benchmark standards

Teacher Comments:

## DIBELS Oral Reading Fluency (DORF)

On the DORF assessment, your child will read three passages appropriate for his/her grade level for one minute and may then be asked to retell what was read. The teacher will calculate the words read correctly (Words Correct– WC) and your child's accuracy rate. The median words read correct and accuracy rate will be used as your child's score on this assessment.

## DAZE

The DAZE is a measure of your child's ability to understand what he/she reads. This assessment is typically administered to the whole class at the same time. Your child will be asked to silently read a grade level passage for 3 minutes. Every seventh word in the passage has been replaced by a box containing the correct word and two "distractor" words. Your child is required to circle the correct word that makes the most sense in the story. Credit is given for each correct answer.

**Core**

An instructional recommendation of “core” means that the odds are in your child’s favor of achieving later reading goals with a continuing effective curriculum and instruction.

**Strategic**

An instructional recommendation of “strategic” means that the odds of achieving later reading goals are approximately 50% without added instructional support in addition to core reading instruction. If your child’s performance fell within this category, he/she will likely require intervention in addition to core reading instruction. Small group instruction targeting specific skills may be required. This intervention may be provided by your child’s classroom teacher and/or a reading specialist.

**Intensive**

An instructional recommendation of “intensive” means that your child’s odds of achieving later reading goals are approximately 10-20% without substantial intervention and support in addition to core reading instruction. Your child will require small group intensive intervention targeting specific skills. Your child is likely to receive small group intervention both in the classroom as well as with a reading specialist.

Note to teachers-

A space was provided under the benchmark goal for each subtest for the purpose of writing either “core”, “strategic” or “intensive”.